

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Christian schools, rooted in the democratic ideal of freedom of choice, are an important part of the tradition of educational excellence in South Dakota and play an integral role in the education of the children of the state of South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, These independent schools, through the active participation and commitment of their sponsoring communities, their leadership, faculty, staff, families and volunteers, provide our citizens with a diversity of educational opportunities in the state of South Dakota; and,

*Whereas*, More than 50 Christian schools in the state of South Dakota greatly contribute to the quality of life for all our citizens and provide a direct savings to South Dakota taxpayers:

*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim January 31, 2006, as

## *CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS DAY*

in South Dakota.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Ninth Day of January in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.



*M. Michael Rounds*  
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M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

*Ch. Nelson*  
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Chris Nelson, Secretary of State